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PATENT

In re patent application BANEUCHHOLZ ET AL.

Serial No.: 09/909,806

Filed: July 16, 2001

For: HIGH RESOLUTION DNA SIZE STANDARDS

Examiner: F. Lu Art Unit: 1655

Docket # .: FWS-3679 (S000000139/RFH)

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231 SIR:

Attached is:

a response after Final Rejection dated

X a response to the Office Action dated December 14, 2002.

a Preliminary Amendment

X a Petition for an extension of time

Other:

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TOTAL CLAIMS				X \$ 84 =	
INDEP. CLAIMS	TOTAL OF ABOVE CLAIMS FEES =				
Reduction by ½ for small entity status of applicant SUBTOTAL =					
X Fee for extension of time (per attached Petition)					110
Other fee for TOTAL OF ALL FEES =					110.00

X The Commissioner is authorized to charge the above-noted fee due in connection herewith to Deposit Account No. 09-0440.

X In the event that a petition for extension of time is required to be submitted herewith and that a separate petition is not submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time of as many months as are required to render this submission timely. Any fee is authorized above.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on December 14, 2001, and to the restriction requirement set forth therein, applicant responds as set forth hereinbelow.

Considering the matters raised in the Office Action in the same order as raised, this response and all further correspondence regarding this application is being directed to Art Unit 1655.

Turning to the restriction requirement, the Examiner has required restriction between the claims of Group I, containing claims 1-9 "drawn to a method of producing DNA size standards, classified in class 435, subclass 91.1" and Group II, containing claims 10-19, "drawn to a DNA size standard, classified in class 536, subclass 23.1." Applicant hereby elects Group I, claims 1-9.

Claims 10-19 are being retained in this application pending the potential filing of a divisional application.

Finally, with respect to paragraph 6 of the Office Action, relating to amendment of the inventorship in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(b), no such amendment appears to be required here.

Further and favorable action is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: February 14, 2002

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